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OF THE

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER

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MINUTES, &c.

1. *Who have been admitted on trial?*

Wm. T. Capers, Charles Taylor, John M. Carlisle, Peter W. McDaniel, Edward L. King, Wm. M. Lee, Thos. M. Farrow, Abm. P. Avant, Jos. Warnock, Wm. Barringer, Danl. McDonald, R. S. Ledbetter, Jacob L. Shuford, and T. W. Postell.—14.

2. *Who remain on trial?*

John W. Kelly, Miles Pucket, Hilliard J. Glenn, Robert P. Franks, and Stephen H. Miller.—5.

3. *Who have been admitted into full connection?*

Wm. G. Connor, Henry A. Bass, Jos. Parker, and Newton Goudelock.—4.

4. *Who are the Deacons?*

Hy. M. Mood, John C. McDaniel, Manasseh M. Michau, Wm. Carson, Jas. W. Wightman, and Jas. F. Smith, who were ordained last year; and Wm. G. Connor, Henry A. Bass, Joseph Parker, and N. Goudelock, who have been ordained this year.

5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders?*

Claudius H. Pritchard, Daniel D. Cox, Stafford P. Taylor, Wm. H. Flemming, John A. Porter, Dennis J. Simmons, Solomon W. Daves and Albert M. Shipp. Samuel M. Green was elected but not ordained, he being absent from ill health.

6. *Who have located this year?*

George R. Talley, Wm. T. Harrison, Lark O'Neale, Allen Huckabee, Nathan Byrd.

7. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?* *Ans.* None.

8. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

Hartwell Spain, Zephaniah W. Barnes, Joseph Moore, James Jenkins,* James Dannelly, James L. Belin, David W. Hilliard, Joel W. Townsend, B. Hamilton,* and Campbell Smith.

9. *Who have been expelled this year?* Joseph P. Kirton.

10. *Who have withdrawn this year?* Jacob B. Anthony.

11. *Were all the Preachers' Characters examined?*

This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

N.B.—Those marked thus (*) have relinquished their claim on the Conference.

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12. *Who have died this year?*

John N. Davies, Abel Hoyle, and Jacob Nipper.

John N. Davies, was born in Mecklenburg Co., N. C., Nov. 11th, 1804, and being favoured with religious parentage, he doubtless in early life, had those principles of the doctrine of Christ grafted into his mind, which, in after days, proved the power of God to his salvation; and shone out conspicuously in his character, as a Christian and a Christian minister. He was converted, August 11th, 1832, and licensed to preach January, 1834. At the Conference held in Charleston in 1834, he was admitted into the travelling connection and appointed to the Bladen circuit; 1835 to Brunswick; 1836 to Columbia circuit; 1837 to Charleston station, and in 1838 to the Pocotaligo Mission, where he was continued until April, 1840, when his health began to fail. He, however, continued to attend his appointments until the latter part of July: though frequently not able to preach, yet trying as a dying man, to help the souls of his charge from the rice-fields to a better country. At the ensuing conference he received a superannuated relation, which he sustained till his redeemed spirit took its departure from earth to its heavenly reward, in June, 1844. Brother Davies was truly a man of God. His motto in preaching and in all his intercourse with his fellow men was "Holiness to the Lord." How many will claim him as God's instrument in their salvation, eternity will alone unfold; but we believe that he left a sweet gospel savour wherever he went. And when he could no longer go as a Missionary himself, he gave liberally of his substance to further the glorious enterprise, and in his last will and testament, devised liberal things for the Lord. As might have been expected, he died like a Christian victor. Many blessed things fell from his lips which were full of consolation to all who heard them. May his mantle fall on those who are left. His remains, by his own request, were brought to Columbia, where they rest until the resurrection morn.

Abel Hoyle, the subject of this brief notice, was born in Lincoln Co., N. C., January 21st, 1811. Of his early life we have no account, but think it probable that he was favoured to some extent with religious advantages, as he was raised in a German Reformed community. He however remained indifferent on the subject of religion until the year 1834, when he was roused to a sense of his danger, under the ministry of the pious Thomas Neal, and connected himself with the M. E. Church. On the 9th of August 1835, he was powerfully converted to God at the Rock Spring camp ground in the Lincolnton circuit. It would seem that very shortly after he felt moved to testify the riches of saving grace to his dying fellow men; for in June 1836 he was licensed to exhort, and in August to preach. At the Conference in Wilmington in 1837, brother Hoyle was admitted into the travelling connection and appointed to Centre circuit; 1838 to Rutherford; 1839 to Centre; 1840 to Bladen;

1841 Rockingham; 1842 Cokesbury; 1843 Chesterfield; and in 1844 to Pleasant Grove, where he ended his life and labours on the 8th of September last. He was attacked on the 29th of August with congestive fever, and was called to severe suffering in making his exit from earth; but he bore all with Christian meekness and patience. Four days previous to his death he arranged his temporal affairs with as much composure as if he were about starting to conference; after which, when his weeping wife inquired in reference to herself and their little boy,—he only raised his hands and eyes to heaven and said, "look up—look up—the Lord has promised to provide." And whenever he spoke of death, it was with perfect resignation to the will of God. Brother Hoyle possessed respectable preaching talents and was successful wherever he labored—always much beloved by the people of his charge. His remains were deposited in the burying ground,—near Union Church, where they will rest until the last trump shall wake them to eternal life.

Jacob Nipper, of precious memory, was born in Richland district, So., Ca., September 8th, 1812. It is to be presumed that his early advantages both of a literary and religious character were good; as he gave ample evidence in subsequent life that his spirit and mind had been well trained. From data found in his Bible we learn that our brother was happily converted to God at Mount Pleasant camp ground, in the Winnsboro circuit, August, 1835: licensed to preach September, 1838, and admitted into the South Carolina Conference at its session in Cheraw in 1839, and received his appointment for that year to the Darlington circuit: 1840 and 1841 to the Wateree mission: 1842 and 1843, St. James' Charleston; and in 1844, to Pee Dee Mission; from which field his sanctified spirit was transferred to the church triumphant. We cannot so fully, in few words, give the character of our lamented brother, as is expressed in the notice of his death, which appeared in the Southern Christian Advocate from which the following is extracted: "Our brother is too well known, to require at our hands any labored eulogy. He won for himself golden opinions wherever he was known, and carried away the best wishes and kindest regards of the people. As a man, a Christian and a Christian minister of the gospel, he was without reproach. Few men were more pure and unblamable; few ministers more successful in securing the regard and warm affection of his people. As a preacher, ardour, tempered with discretion, simplicity, and a deep concern for the souls of men, characterized his efforts. He was always instructive and frequently powerful in his pulpit efforts. We could not but expect that the last end of such a man should be pesce. None who were present can ever forget the expressions of deep humility and self abasement, of patience and resignation, of love and grattitude to God: of confidence and holy triumph that fell from his lips. Nearly the last word he ever uttered was "glory." And the last in answer to some brethren who asked if he still felt his Saviour to be precious was "I do." Thus lived

and thus died Jacob Nipper, a man of God, "called and chosen and faithful."

13. *What numbers are in Society?*

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Licentiates.	Whites.	Colored.
Charleston District.					
Cumberland	2			176	1406
Trinity		1		229	1875
Bethel	1			138	1470
St. James		1		100	117
Black Swamp,	2	1		403	719
Walterboro'	3	1	1	650	520
Orangeburg	2	3	1	762	1090
Cypress	3	1	1	1304	1367
Cooper River	3		3	339	635
Savannah River Missn.				12	616
Edisto Island do					345
Beaufort do				3	314
Pon Pon do				8	548
Pocotaligo do					392
Combahee & Ashepoo					770
Cooper River				40	771
	16	8	6	4164	12955
Cokesbury District.					
Cokesbury	5	3	2	936	1207
Edgefield	1	3	1	851	781
Pendleton	2	3	3	964	308
Greenville Station				69	195
Greenville Circuit	2	5	1	843	179
Union	1	3	6	1327	1107
Laurens	2	3	3	615	494
Newberry	1	1	2	705	1103
Barnwell		2		642	348
Aiken and Hamburg			1	45	56
	14	23	19	6997	5778
Columbia District.					
Columbia		2		238	630
Columbia Circuit	3	6	1	453	497
Winnsboro'	2	2		872	973
Lancaster	1			452	330
Camden	1	1		83	336
Darlington	1	3	10	895	466
Santee	3	1	14	1151	2680
Manchester ...Mission				49	479
Congaree do					323
Wateree do				33	750
Pee Dee do					255
	11	15	25	4226	7719

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Local Elders.	Local Deacons.	Licentiates.	Whites.	Colored.
Wilmington District.					
Wilmington	1		1	196	575
Smithville	1			166	142
Whitesville			2	258	464
Conwayboro'	2	2	4	780	266
Bladen		2	4	860	700
Georgetown				184	1265
Black River	2	2	3	726	1030
Marion	9	7	8	981	663
North Santee...Mission					718
Bl'k River & Pee Dee				25	900
Waccamaw Neck				8	567
Sampit					258
Cape Fear				20	294
	15	13	22	4204	7842
Cheraw District.					
Cheraw			1	104	271
Fayetteville	1	1		172	310
Rockingham	3	7	2	1046	457
Chesterfield		1	4	483	296
Wadesboro'	3	4	3	1190	523
Centre	1		2	1213	385
Montgomery		2	3	893	115
Deep River	1	1	6	567	194
Cumberland	1	2		316	192
Pleasant Grove			2	547	244
	10	18	23	6441	2987
Lincolnton District.					
Charlotte				63	108
Charlotte Circuit		3	1	792	388
Lincolnton	4			934	449
York				381	213
Spartanburg	1		1	770	254
Rutherfordton	1	2	4	966	244
Shelby	2		5	1076	268
Morganton	1	5		762	188
Lenoir			1	530	102
	9	10	12	6274	2214

Recapitulation.					
Charleston District	16	8	6	4164	12955
Cokesbury "	14	23	19	6997	5778
Columbia "	11	15	25	4226	7719
Wilmington "	15	13	22	4204	7842
Cheraw "	10	18	23	6441	2987
Lincolnton "	9	10	12	6274	2214
Total this year	75	87	107	32306	39495
Total last year	82	71	94	31658	37952
Increase this year		16	13	648	1543

14. *What amount is necessary to make up the allowances of the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers; and to supply the deficiencies of those Preachers whose claims have not been met in their Circuits.*

The amount necessary to meet those claims is $3,935.09.

15. *What amount has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

The amount received is $1,853.21; and has been appropriated as follows:—

To Rev. A. Huckabee,	$109 50	To Widow Bunch and childn,	81 03
" Nathan Byrd,	17 50	" Kennedy and children	94 17
" Hartwell Spain,	144 54	" McPherson and children,	81 03
" Z. W. Barnes,	118 26	" Postell and children,	72 27
" Joseph Moore,	54 75	" Thomason and child,	63 51
" James Dannelley,	125 37	" Child of Rev. J. Freeman	13 14
" John N. Davies,	109 50	" do. Rev. J. J. Richardson	13 14
" David Hilliard,	122 64	" Bishop Soule,	8 33
" James L. Belin,	109 50	" Bishop Hedding,	8 33
" Campbell Smith,	148 92	" Bishop Andrew,	9 97
To Widow Asbury,	54 75	" Bishop Morris,	8 33
" Gamewell,	54 75	" Waugh,	8 33
" Hill,	54 75	" Hamline,	8 33
" Morgan,	54 75	" Janes,	9 76
" Turpin and children,	81 03	" Widow of Bishop Roberts,	2 56

Incidental expenses Conf. 10 47

16. *What Report have we from our Sunday Schools?*

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Amo't. raised for Missions.	Amo't. raised for S. School Books.	No. Schools.	Superin'dnts.	Teachers.	Children.	Volumes in Library.	Bibles distrib.	Testaments.	Amo't. raised for Bible Cause.
Charleston District.										
Cumberland,	$ 416 79	96 58	2	4	20	190	552			12 90
Trinity,	443 70	39 70	2	3	16	263	200	2	24	17 00
Bethel,	311 70	117 00	2	4	27	190	200			14 50
St. James'	37 00	6 50	1	2	10	54	121			4 47
Black Swamp,	362 81	10 00	5	5	15	77		2	12	46 56
Walterboro,	192 00		4	4	8	75		3	12	2 50
Orangeburg,	586 09	20 00								2 00
Cypress,	539 16	8 37	9	9	35	253	578	51	50	42 67
Cooper River,	198 50	10 50	2	2	8	36				5 00
Savannah Riv. Mission,	301 00									
Edisto Island do.	380 00									
Beaufort do.	261 50									
Pon Pon do.	285 00									
Pocotaligo do.	145 00									
Combahee & Ashepoo,	396 00									
Cooper River do.	105 50									
	4961 75	308 65	27	33	139	1138	1651	58	98	147 60

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Cokesbury District.										
Cokesbury, - - - $	715 65		4	6	18	175	225			
Edgefield, - - - -	125 25	4 25	4	4	12	65	75			50
Pendleton, - - - -	25 50		15	16	87	446				
Greenville Station, -	38 30	8 37	2	4	12	150	250			
Greenville Circuit, -	12 00	3 45	5	5	23	216	246	2		
Union, - - - - -	141 00		5	8	35	184				
Laurens, - - - -	124 00		2	2	10	35	300			
Newberry, - - - -	95 00	9 00	7	7	28	190	731			
Barnwell, - - - -	201 18		2	2	10	86	268			
Aiken & Hamburg -	20 00									6 00
	1497 88	25 07	46	54	235	1547	2095	2		6 50
Columbia District.										
Columbia, - - - -	1380 85	20 00	1	2	18	125	350			26 66
Columbia Circuit, -	139 30	10 00	3	3	13	77	177			
Winnsboro, - - -	382 78	13 00	4	4	20	159	984	8		62 45
Lancaster, - - - -	78 83	2 00						5		
Camden, - - - -	562 38		1	1	8	40	300			8 50
Darlington, - - -	344 30	5 00	2	2	16	62	75		25	19 75
Santee, - - - - -	404 96		4	4	24	97	115			
Manchester Mission,	53 78									
Congaree, do.	175 00									
Wateree do.	260 00									
Pee Dee do.	145 00									
	3927 81	50 00	15	16	99	560	2001	13	25	117 36
Wilmington District.										
Wilmington, - - -	191 41	10 00	1	1	13	78	50			152 21
Smithville, - - - -	52 50		1	1	6	30	40			18 00
Whitesville, - - -	87 62		2	2	6	100				
Conwayboro, - - -	70 00		1	1	2	20		1	1	
Bladen, - - - - -	148 16	8 00	12	13	53	349				4 00
Georgetown, - - -	151 98	10 00	1	1	9	75	300			
Black River, - - -	321 56		6	6	21	100				
Marion, - - - - -	224 75		4	4	12	73	317			37 75
North Santee Mission,	163 00									
Black R.&Pee Dee do.	303 50									
Waccamaw Neck do.	533 25									
Sampit do.	300 00									
Cape Fear do.	110 00									
	2657 73	28 00	28	29	122	825	707	1	1	211 96

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Cheraw District.										
Cheraw,	203 00	15 00	1	1	8	49	213			10 12
Fayetteville,	134 00	9 62	1	2	16	115	400			
Rockingham,	86 70									112 31
Chesterfield,	216 13		6	6	28	185	430			11 20
Wadesboro,	202 38	30 00	8	6	30	194	371			254 75
Centre,	114 00	25	12	12	40	400	500			
Montgomery,	35 55									
Deep River,	31 25		10	10	38	257		4	48	1 00
Cumberland,										
Pleasant Grove,	141 50		6	6	18	223	287			60 62
	1164 51	54 87	44	43	178	1423	2201	4	48	450 00
Lincolnton District.										
Charlotte Station,	36 08		1	1	12	71	220			7 69
Charlotte,	38 00		4	4	22	190				31 00
Lincolnton,	90 00	3 50	5	7	25	92	191			136 00
York,	27 00		5	5	24	124	105			
Spartanburg,	70 00	5 00	4	4	33	147	700			6 15
Rutherfordton,	101 50		16	16	78	421	130			125 65
Shelby,	43 15		8	8	39	212				33 40
Morganton,	44 00		3	1	14	85	40	8	6	59 25
Lenoir,	53 12		5	6	25	135		6	12	
	502 85	8 50	51	52	272	1477	1386	14	18	399 14
Total,	$14711 90	475 09	211	227	10045	6970	10041	92	190	1326 56

BIBLE CLASSES.—Cypress, Charleston District, 2, with 10 Scholars; Wilmington Dist., Bladen, 2, with 20, Marion, 1, with 6; Cheraw Dist., Wadesboro, 1, with 15. Total, 4 classes, 51 scholars.

TRACTS DISTRIBUTED.—Charleston District, Trinity, 2000 pages, Black Swamp, 1500, Orangeburg, 1500; Cokesbury District, Cokesbury, 2000; Wilmington, 500; Cheraw Dist., Wadesboro, 14,000, Deep River, 5000; Lincolnton District, Rutherfordton, 5,000, Morganton, 3000, Lenoir, 1500.

17. *Where are the preachers stationed?*

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—*R. J. Boyd, P. E.* W. Capers, Superintendent of Missions to the people of colour, in the Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina Conferences. *Charleston*—W. M. Wightman, Editor Southern Christian Advocate. *Cumberland*, Saml. W. Capers; *Trinity*, Theophilus Huggins; *Bethel*, Claudius H. Pritchard; *St. James*, David Derrick. *Black Swamp*, Henry Bass, William T. Capers; *Walterboro*, Alexius M. Forster, Jas. F. Smith; *Orangeburg*, Churchwell A. Crowell; *Cypress*, Thomas E. Leadbetter,

Samuel M. Green; *Cooper River*, John A. Porter.

MISSIONS.

Savannah River, Daniel D. Cox, Jos. Warnock; *Edisto Island*, Jehosse and Fenwick; Charles Wilson; *Beaufort*, Wm. C. Kirkland; *Pon Pon*, Paul A. M. Williams; *Pocotaligo*, Andrew J. Green; *Combahee and Ashepoo*, John R. Coburn, Robt. P. Franks; *Cooper River*, Ab'm. Nettles.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.—*Hugh. A. C. Walker, P. E. Cokesbury Circuit*, Nicholas Talley, Henry M. Mood; *Edgefield*, Allen M'Corquodale, Jno. W. Kelly; *Pendleton*, Geo. W. Moore; *Greenville Station*, James W. Wightman; *Greenville Circuit*, Alex. W. Walker, Hilliard J. Glenn; *Union*, Ira S. Potter, Wm. C. Clarke; *Laurens*, Willis S. Haltom; *Newberry*, Sam'l Dunwody, Archibald B. M'Gilvray; *Pickens*, Martin Eady; *Paris Mountain*, Lewis M. Little.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.—*Charles Betts, P. E. Columbia Station*, Jos. H. Wheeler, Wm. G. Connor; *Columbia Circuit*, Dan'l. G. M'Daniel, John M. Carlisle; *Barnwell*, Abel M. Chrietzberg, Peter W. M'Daniel; *Aiken and Hamburg*, Dennis J. Simmons; *Winnsboro*, Peyton G. Bowman, John Tarrant; *Lancaster*, Wesley L. Pegues; *Camden*, Wm. P. Mouzon; *Darlington*, Jackey M. Bradley, Charles Taylor; *Santee*, Wm. J. Jackson, John R. Picket.

MISSIONS.

Manchester, To be supplied; *Congaree*, Saml. Townsend, John C. M'Daniel; *Wateree*, James W. Wellborn, Williamson Smith; *Peedee*, To be supplied.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—*Whitefoord Smith, P. E. Wilmington*, Wm. Martin; *Smithville*, David W. Seale, Stephen H. Miller; *Conwayboro*,' Hugh E. Ogburn, Thos. W. Farrow; *Bladen*, Sampson D. Laney, Henry A. Bass; *Georgetown*, Wm. Crook; *Black River*, James H. Chandler, Abraham P. Avant; *Marion*, Colin Murchison, Wm. C. Patterson.

MISSIONS.

Santee, Cornelius M'Leod, Wm. H. Flemming; *Black River and Pee Dee*, Chas. S. Walker; *Waccamaw Neek*, John A. Minnick, Wm. Carson; *Sampit*, Stafford P. Taylor; *Cape Fear*, Morgan C. Turrentine.

CHERAW DISTRICT.—*James Stacy, P. E. Cheraw*, Albert M. Shipp; *Fayetteville*, Henry H. Durant; *Rockingham*, Michael Robbins, Robert J. Limehouse; *Chesterfield*, John Watts; *Wadesboro'*, Sam'l. Leard, Wm. Barringer; *Concord*, John H. Zimmerman, Daniel M. Donald; *Centre*, John

M'Mackin; *Montgomery*, Newton Goudelock, Jacob L. Shuford; *Deep River*, Manasseh M. Michau, Robt. S. Leadbetter; *Cumberland*, Joseph Parker; *Pleasant Grove*, Edward S. King.

LINCOLNTON DISTRICT.—*W. A. Gamewell*, *P. E. Charlotte Station*, Thomas S. Daniel; *Charlotte Circuit*, Lewis Scarborough; *Lincolnton*, Alfred H. Richardson, Sol. W. Daves; *Yorkville*, Marcus A. M'Kibben; *Spartanburg*, Bond English, Wm. M. Lee; *Rutherfordton*, Wm. A. M'Swain; *Shelby*, Wm. M. Kerr; *Catawba*, Miles Pucket; *Morganton*, Thos. W. Postell; *Lenoir*, Simpson Jones.

18. *Where shall our next Conference be held?*

At Fayetteville N. Carolina, commencing on the 24th of December.

FAST DAYS.

The last Friday in April, and the First Friday in October, were set apart, to be observed as days of fasting and Prayer.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

To the members of the Methodist E. Church in the bounds of the South Carolina district, the annual Conference, in session assembled, send their most affectionate and Christian salutations. We pray that grace, mercy and peace, from God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ may abound towards you, more and more. Related to you by the endearing ties of the pastoral office, and bound to care for your spiritual prosperity, to promote by all possible means your edification in the knowledge of God, and in the fellowship of his blessed Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, we renew in this Address, our oft-repeated assurances of regard, and offer up in your behalf, our fervent prayers to the throne of the heavenly grace for your salvation. We would stir up the gift of God in you, and excite into vital energy and action, all the elements of godly zeal, all the graces and virtues of the Christian character, embraced in your religious calling as the people of God.

What the gospel actually is, and in what consists its saving efficacy, you have long since learned, from the inspired writings of evangelists and apostles. Whoever else may question the sufficiency of Holy Scripture to make men wise to salvation;

whoever may insist upon the necessity of a teaching drawn from other sources, an authority in religious opinions concurrent with God's well authenticated revelation;—you who have felt the power of that Gospel unto salvation, can never be disturbed by the cavillings of worldly wisdom, or the captious disputations of sectarian zeal. The great, fundamental, vital truths necessary to be known in order to salvation, stand in clear relief upon the very face of Holy Writ, intelligible to the plainest understanding which honestly seeks the truth, approved by every pious feeling of the heart. Standing upon this foundation there will abide in your hearts notwithstanding the stir and conflict of opinion in the world around, the immovable persuasion that you are right. Having embraced Christ Jesus in the spirit of an humble faith, he will be made of God unto you, "wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption." Your religion thus will not be a matter taken on trust of ecclesiastical authority; but assured that it is one and the same with the faith once delivered to the saints, you will abide in the truth which is according to godliness; stand fast in the knowledge of the Son of God; receive the unction which is truth; be led into larger discoveries of divine things, into ampler manifestations of the power and glory and grace of the gospel; be changed into the same image from glory to glory; imbibe the purest motives found in its knowledge, benevolence and love; be harnessed for the conflicts of life, and unquailing walk through the valley of the shadow of death, knowing in whom you have believed, and persuaded that he is able to keep that which you have committed unto him to that day.

While the times in which we live call emphatically for a growth in the knowledge of the Son of God, and a deeper foundation of religious convictions and well-digested principles, it behoves us, as well to reach after the inward experience of that full measure and constant habit of holiness, realized by earnest prayer to God, through the atoning sacrifice of his Son. The power of the Holy Ghost to sanctify the inmost soul, to hallow the affections, to actuate and pervade the most secret springs of motive, is not lost to the church. It abides in all the efficiency of its first most glorious manifestation, after the resurrection of Christ, on the day of Pentecost. It may be sought and even *commanded*, in the vigour of its most enlarged, hallowing, and immortal principles. What else but the knowledge and love of God thus embraced and inwardly realized in vital efficacy, can keep the Church of Christ from damage, on

the one hand, from the revived formalism of our time; or on the other, from the fanatical novelties of opinion, the restless strifes of words which are now spreading like pestilence through many parts of our land. You have seen that no absurdities are too great or difficult for the morbid appetite of a perverted religionism—no errors too glaring to gain votaries. "Lo here and lo there," is a cry heard on every side, and infatuated multitudes are rushing after ephemeral fooleries. An agrarian spirit that threatens to level all the barriers of civil law, and sweep away all the protections of property, joins with a covert infidelity that hates the gospel and labours for the subversion of the Church of Christ. The times are full of portent, and ominous shadows tell of great coming events. The organized and embodied christianity of the evangelical churches of our land, is to become the great pillar, on which patriotism may lean,—the ample line of entrenchmets behind which constitutional liberty and law, shall find protection. How important then that the churches themselves, should be true to their high calling, and faithful to their divine Head, maintaining in undiminished vigour the testimony of the truth, and guarding with sleepless vigilance the purity of the christian character.

That the full impression of such sentiments and principles may be felt, allow us, beloved brethren, to remind you of the duty you owe *your children*. Every Christian family is a nursery for the church, a school of christian and patriotic principles. How sadly marred is the preceptive force of religion when not sustained by practical example. In vain may you expect your children to be trained for heaven or earth, for duty to God or usefulness among men, if family piety is not maintained by consistent and daily family devotion. The altar of domestic prayer and praise should be raised; the devotions of the morning and evening should unwaveringly ascend to God, and his blessed word be read for the instruction and edification of children and servants. The impressions thus formed on the yielding mind and susceptible conscience of childhood, shall abide in after years; and the remembrance of a "father's house" shall pursue your children through all the wanderings of earth down to life's latest hour, and across the mysterious chasm of the grave, into the fortunes of the life to come.

And more than this, allow us most affectionately to remind you of the duty and obligation you owe to the support of the ministry and institutions of the church of your choice. Your

contributions are, indeed, voluntary, but they ought ever to be sufficient in their aggregate to support comfortably those men who devote to your spiritual instruction and improvement, the whole of their time and cares. We commend moreover, to your careful consideration and liberal support the cause of missions. The genius of the religion you profess is missionary. Every christian is, or ought to be emphatically a *propagandist.* For several years it has been the crown and glory of the South Carolina Conference, that it has taken the lead in the Methodist E. Church in the maintenance of missions. Now that we are called on emphatically to lean on our own resources, for the support of those missions to the coloured population, which in the good providence of God, have been opened before us, and on which his blessing has so eminetly rested, we confidently anticipate a sustained and enlarged liberality on your part. We recommend that you maintain the christian and noble position given to the conference by the contributions of the year now closing, and particularly that you encourage the good work of taking up in all the societies and congregations the May collections.

As a valuable auxiliary to the cause of missions, we respectfully commend to your favourable regards, the Southern Christian Advocate. It is pledged to advocate to the full extent of its ability, as well the interests of the common christianity as the peculiarities of our own denominational polity and usages. It is the chronicle of the march of revivals, of interesting religious intelligence in general; it records the victories of the cross, and the happy deaths of the pious. The peculiar aspect of the times demands an extension of its circulation, and is favourable to a large increase of its patronage. Let it be made by your favour and support a worthy auxiliary to the ministry in their godly work; and we trust you will ever find it valiant for the truth, the fearless advocate of the rights of the Southern portion of the church, and of the principles of constitutional Methodism, on which those rights repose.

The present important crisis in the affairs of the church has fixed your solemn and prayerful attention. In obedience to your determination, clearly and universally expressed both in primary meetings of the membership, and in the quarterly conferences, the South Carolina Conference at its present session has appointed delegates to the convention at Louisville, and instructed them to take prompt measures for an amicable separ-

ation of the conferences of the M. E. Church in the South and South-West, from those in the North. This they will do on the basis of the stipulations and agreement set forth in the resolutions of the committee of nine in the late General Conference held in New York. We hardly need assure you, that in common with yourselves we deplore the necessity which has led to these measures. Yet we cannot shrink from a duty which is rendered imperious by necessity and is too plain for doubt. The approaching division of the church will affect its jurisdiction only, and cannot touch a single vital principle either of doctrine or polity—of established modes of operation or time-honoured usage. It is but the adjustment of the connectional system of Methodism to the urgent demands of uncontrollable circumstances. Such a principle of adjustment must belong to every system of sound and organized Christianity. The right to control the connectional union of the Church, is an inalienable right reserved in the hands of the great body of the membership, and one which may be exercised whenever it shall be manifest to the membership that the grand design of all ecclesiastical organization—the maintenance and spread of true religion—really demands it. In the present state of things North and South, we are fully persuaded that a separation will be more promotive of the glory of God, and of the spread of the gospel, in the South, than a continuation of the connection. It only remains that we all give ourselves to solemn prayer for God's overruling blessing and guidance for the time to come; so that his name may be glorified, and the kingdom of his Son spread throughout these Southern, and all other lands.

And now praying that all heavenly benedictions may rest upon you, and the fulness of divine grace be poured into your hearts, that the name of God may be ever glorified among you, by Christ Jesus, we remain, beloved brethren, your most affectionate servants in the gospel.

Signed in behalf of the members of the So. Ca. Conference,

JOSHUA SOULE, President.

J. H. WHEELER, Secretary.

CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE S. C. CONFERENCE

AUXILIARY TO THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OE THE M. E. CHURCH.

Officers and Managers.—W. Capers, President; S. Dun-

wody, 1st Vice President; N. Talley, 2d Vice President; S. W. Capers, Secretary; W. M. Wightman, Treasurer; C. Betts, H. Bass, H. A. C. Walker, A. M. Forster, H. Spain, D. Derrick, W. Crook, J. H. Wheeler, R. J. Boyd.

CONSTITUTION.

ART. 1. This Society shall be denominated "The Missionary Society of the South-Carolina Conference, auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist the Southern Annual Conferences more effectually to extend their missionary labours.

ART. 3. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and nine Managers, who shall be annually elected by the Society; all of whom shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 4. At all meetings of the Board of Managers, it shall require five members to form a quorum.

ART. 5. The Board shall have authority to make by-laws for regulating its own proceedings; and shall annually submit a report of its transactions and funds to the Society; and shall inform the Conference of the state of its funds.

ART. 6. The Treasurer who shall reside in Charleston, shall hold the funds of the society, subject to the drafts of the Presiding Bishop, for the benefit of the missions of the Southern Annual Conferences.

ART. 7. Each subscriber paying one dollar annually shall be a member of this Society; and the payment of ten dollars, shall constitute a member for life.

ART 8. The annual meeting of this Society, shall be held some time during the session of the Conference, at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

ART. 9. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Managers.

ART. 10. At all the meetings of the Society, the President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, or in the absence of both Vice-Presidents, such member as shall be appointed by the meeting shall preside.

ART. 11. The minutes of each meeting of the Society shall be signed by the President and the Recording Secretary.

ART. 12. The Constitution shall not be altered, but by a vote

of two-thirds of the Annual Conference at the recommendation of the Board of Managers.

BY-LAWS.

1. The Managers shall meet annually, at such places as may be appointed for the Annual Conference, on the day previous to its sitting.

2. At all the meetings of the Board, the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, or President pro tem. shall take the chair at the hour appointed; shall preserve order and appoint committees, and shall also have authority to appoint extra meetings of the Board.

3. The Secretary shall keep a correct journal of the minutes and proceedings of the Board, and attend all its sittings when practicable, and in case of absence, transmit the records of the Board to the place of meeting.

4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct account of receipts and expenditures, which shall be submitted with the necessary vouchers, to an auditing committee, to be appointed by the Board, at each annual meeting.

5. The Board shall hold a meeting on a day, not later than the seventh of the Conference sessions, at which the Treasurer shall be required to furnish a statement of the funds. And the Board shall thereupon notify the presiding Bishop of the amount, for which drafts may be made for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

In presenting their annual report to the society, the Board of managers rejoice that the general prosperity of the missionary work within the bounds of our Conference, affords abundant cause for gratulation and thanksgiving. The reports from our various missions furnish the liveliest evidence of the fidelity of the brethren to whom their pastoral oversight has been committed; and also of the continued confidence of the public, and particularly of those immediately connected with this interesting department of our work. The general impression made upon the board, is, that our missions are in a healthful, sound, and prosperous condition.

The good providence of God, has been continued in a remarkable manner towards the missionaries. During the year

just closing one only has fallen in this field. Our much-loved brother, the Rev. Jacob Nipper, who was appointed to the Pee Dee mission at our last Conference, closed his labours and his life together during the past year. The board of managers delight to remember the simplicity and zeal, the holiness and devotion of this estimable brother. Death found him at his post, faithfully doing his master's work. The summons found him ready, and our sorrow for his loss so early, is mingled with joy that he has entered into his Master's rest.

The call for more labourers in this department of our work, waxes louder and louder, and the board of managers have felt it necessary to recommend the employment of an additional minister on several of the missions.

The board feel constrained to invite the particular attention of the society to the action of the late General Conference of the Methodist E. Church in view of its particular iufluence upon the mission field under your immediate care. It is not intended to enter the field of controversy on this exciting, and to us, vitally important subject. It is only necessary to say, that the action of the late General Conference, if submitted to by the South, must have resulted in the entire overthrow of this godly work, and the fields now white to the harvest, and already yielding fruit for heaven, must have been left to wither and perish, swept by the fury of popular indignation. In vain should the heart-broken cry of these forsaken poor have startled us, as they stumbled upon the mountains of sin and death; all access to them would have been forever denied us, and our bleeding hearts could only respond a mournful echo to the voice of their lamentation, and wailing, and woe.

Under the stern necessity which has thus been forced upon us, the board recommended, and the Conference unanimously adopted, the following alterations in the constitution of the society: viz:

1. That the second article of the Constitution be stricken out, and in lieu thereof the following be inserted, viz:

Art. 2. The object of this society shall be to assist the Southern Annual Conferences more effectually to extend their missionary labours.

2. That the sixth article be stricken out, and the following inserted in its place, viz:

Art. 6. The Treasurer who shall reside in Charleston, shall hold the funds of the society subject to the drafts of the Pre-

siding Bishop, for the benefit of the missions of the Southern Annual Conferences.

The board submit the following statement of the missions in particular.

Savannah River Mission, has been served by the Revs. C. A. Crowell and Daniel D. Cox. About 20 plantations are included in this mission. There are 616 church members, and 267 children catechised. This mission is said to be in a healthful state. Coloured population within its bounds estimated at about 2000.

Edisto Island Mission has been under the pastoral care of Rev. Charles Wilson, who reports very encouragingly as to its condition and prospects. It includes 11 plantations, with 345 church members; 180 children catechised; whole coloured population about 4,500.

Beaufort Mission has been made the charge of Rev. Thomas E. Leadbetter. The missionary reports 20 plantations served; 314 church members; 300 children catechised. The coloured population is estimated at 1,500.

Pon Pon Mission has been served by Rev. P. A. M. Williams. On this mission there are 9 plantations served; 8 white and 548 coloured members; 170 children catechised. Coloured population accessible about 2,500.

Pocotaligo Mission has been under the care of Rev. A. J. Green, who reports 8 plantations served; 392 church members; 157 children catechised; coloured population within each over 2,000. The mission is represented as in a growing and prosperous state, and the planters express their pleasure at the decided improvement in the character of their slaves.

Combahee and Ashepoo Mission has been served by Rev. J. R. Coburn. It embraces 12 plantations, with 770 church members, and 250 children catechised. The coloured population is between 4000 and 5000. It is proposed to enlarge this mission, and the board recommend the appointment of an additional missionary for this field for the ensuing year.

Cooper River Mission has been under the care of Rev. Abraham Nettles. There are here 40 white and 770 coloured church members; 9 plantations are served, and 117 children catechised. The coloured population is about 5000.

Congaree Mission has been served by Rev. Samuel Townsend. It embraces 8 appointments, with 323 church members, and 293 children catechised. The coloured population is about 2,000. The Board recommend that two missionaries be employed in this field for the ensuing year.

Wateree Mission has been under the pastoral oversight of Revs. Wm. J. Jackson and Williamson Smith. It comprises 28 plantations, with 33 white and 750 coloured church members, and 465 children under catechetical instruction. Coloured population within reach, more than 3,000. This mission is represented to be in a prosperous condition.

Pee Dee Mission was served to the time of his lamented but happy death by Rev. Jacob Nipper, and subsequently by Rev. G. Baily. It embraces 16 plantations served; 252 church members; 192 children catechised; and a coloured population of between 1,500 and 2000. This mission is also prosperous, and offers room for enlargement.

Manchester Mission has been served by Rev. Sherrod Owens. It embraces 19 plantations, with 49 white, and 479 coloured church members; 350 children catechised. Its prospects are reported as good. The coloured population is estimated at between 2,000 and 3,000.

Santee Mission has been under the care of Rev. C. M'Leod. This mission includes 11 plantations with 718 church members, and 255 children catechised. The coloured population is 5,500.

Sampit Mission has been under the pastoral oversight of Rev. S. P. Taylor. It embraces 11 plantations; 258 church members, and 304 children catechised. The coloured population is about 3,000.

Black River and Pee Dee Mission has been served by Rev. Charles S. Walker, who reports 16 plantations served;—25 white and 900 colored church members; 350 children catechised; colored population within its bounds 3000. The mission prosperous.

Waccamaw Neck Mission.—The Revs. John A. Minnick and James F. Smith have had the pastoral oversight of this mission. The mission is said to be in a healthful state. There are 8 white and 567 coloured church members; and 500 children catechised. The coloured population is estimated at about 2700.

Cape Fear Mission has been under the pastoral charge of Rev. M. C. Turrentine who reports 20 whites and 299 colored church members; 230 children catechised; colored population embraced in the mission about 1,350. The decrease in the membership on this mission is attributed to the removal of several planters with their people. The mission is said to be in a sound and healthful state.

This account exhibits an aggregate of 8,302 colored church members; 4,380 children catechised; and a coloured population within the bounds of our Conference Mission field of 46,750.

Such are the blessed assurances we have that God is still with us. We may well dispense with the affected interest for the African race, and leave others to expend their sympathy in fanatical ravings, while we have these living epistles to exhibit, known and read of all men. We have no need for any extravagant parade of our sympathy and benevolence; the work, the blessed work is ours, and the sweet consciousness of duty done.

If ever there was a time when this interesting field of ministerial labour deserved to be appreciated and sustained,—when the Southern Church was called upon by every consideration of piety, of honour, and of humanity to put forth her most untiring exertions in its behalf,—when the determination of every heart among us should be, that no consideration of worldly gain should obstruct our generous charity in its support, that time is the present. Cut off as we are from many of the sources of our former dependence, left to sustain ourselves just at the time when our outspreading work involved the highest responsibility and the largest expense, we have only to show what a people baptized with the christian spirit can do.

Nor is this all. The position in which we are placed casts upon the bosom of the Southern Church another care. The red man, as he turns his eye towards the rising sun, and remembers that it shines upon the graves of his fathers, admonishes us of the debt we owe him. Shall we hear his cry? Shall we go up to his aid in the name of the Lord of Hosts? Or shall we leave him to perish? Can we hesitate? Can we doubt? Surely the generous answer of every heart will be, "to the rescue." We have dared the miasma of the Southern swamp,—we have encountered the perils of exposure and intense labour, we have stood in the black man's cabin by his dying bed, and heard his last song of victory as his spirit winged its flight to the eternal throne;—we have sustained our domestic missions through opposition and difficulty of every sort; success has attended us at every step; God has owned and crowned our work; and now that his providence opens another field, now that the Indian asks us to his wigwam and his forest shade, shall we falter? God forbid. Rather, in humble depen-

dence upon his grace, which has been so mighty in us, let us gladly embrace the opportunity of entering this open door. Let us bear our part in the blessed work of converting the Indian, until every savage heart shall be softened by the love of God, and every Indian foot shall press the path to Heaven.

The Board of managers trust that every member of this Society will go out to the labours of the ensuing year more deeply than ever imbued with the missionary spirit. That they will plead this cause in every circuit and in every society, and gain for our conference the high and honorable appellation of the *Missionary Conference*.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DIVISION.

The Committee to whom was referred the general subject of the difficulties growing out of the action of the late General Conference on the cases of Bishop Andrew and brother Harding; and, in particular, the Report of the select committee on the Declaration of the Southern and South Western delegates of the General Conference, as adopted by the Conference; and the proceedings of numerous quarterly conferences, and other meetings, in all parts of our annual conference district; respectfully offer the following Report:

It appears to your committee, on the evidence of numerous documents, and the testimony of the preachers, in open conference, that in all the circuits and stations of this conference district, the people have expressed their minds with respect to the action of the General Conference, and the measures proper to be adopted in consequence of that action. Resolutions to that effect have been adopted by the quarterly conferencesof all the circuits and stations, without any exception; and in many, perhaps in most of them, by other meetings, also, which have been called expressly for the purpose; and in some of them, by meetings held at every preaching-place where there was a society. And on all these occasions, there has been but one voice uttered—one opinion expressed—from the sea-board to the mountains, as to the unconstitutionality and injurious character of the action in the cases above named; the necessity which that action imposes for a separation of the Southern from the Northern conferences; and the expediency and propriety of holding a convention at Louis-

ville, Ky., and of your sending delegates to it, agreeably to the proposition of the Southern and South-Western delegates of the late General Conference.

Your committee, also, have made diligent inquiry both out of conference and by calling openly in conference for information from the preachers, as to the number, if any, of local preachers, or other official members, or members of some standing among us, who should have expressed, in the meetings or in private, a different opinion from that which the meetings have proclaimed. And the result of this inquiry has been, that, in the whole field of our conference district, one individual only has been heard to express himself doubtfully, as to the expediency of a separate jurisdiction for the Southern and South-Western conferences; not even one as to the character of the General Conference action. Nor does it appear that this unanimity of the people has been brought about by popular harangues, or any schismatic efforts, of any of the preachers, or other influential persons; but that it has been as spontaneous as universal, and from the time that the final action of the General Conference became known, at every place. Your committee state this fact thus formally, that it may correct certain libelous imputations which have been cast on some of our senior ministers, in the Christian Advocate & Journal; as well as for the evidence which it furnishes of the necessity of the measures which are in progress for the relief of the Church in the South and South-West.

Your committee, also, consider it due to state, that, it does not appear that the action of the General Conference in the cases of the Bishop and of brother Harding, proceeded of ill-will, as of purpose to oppress us; nor of any intended disregard of the authority of the Scriptures or of the Discipline, as if to effect the designs of a politico-religious faction, without warrant of the Scriptures, and against the Discipline, and the peace of the Church. But they consider that action as having been produced out of causes which had their origin in the fanatical abolitionism of Garrison and others; and which being suffered to enter and agitate the Church; first in New England and afterwards generally at the North, worked up such a revival of the anti-slavery spirit as had grown too strong for the restraints of either Scripture or Discipline, and too general through the Eastern, Northern, and Northwestern Conferences to be resisted any longer by the easy goodnatured prudence of the brethren representing those conferences in the late General Conference. Pressed beyond their strength, whether little or much, they had

to give way; and reduced, (by the force of principles which, whether by their own fault or not, had obtained a controlling power,) to the alternative of breaking up the Churches of their own conference districts, or of adopting measures which they might hardly persuade themselves could be endured by the South and South-west, they determined on the latter. The best of men may have their judgments perverted; and it is not wonderful that under such stress of circumstances, the majority should have adopted a new construction of both Scripture and Discipline, and persuaded themselves that in pacifying the abolitionists, they were not unjust to their Southern brethren. Such, however, is unquestionably the character of the measures they adopted; and which, the Southern Churches cannot possibly submit to, unless the majority who enacted them could also have brought us to a conviction that we ought to be bound by their judgment, against our consciences and calling of God, and the warrant of Scripture, and the provisions of the Discipline. But while we believe that our paramount duty in our calling of God, positively forbids our yielding the Gospel in the Southern States, to the pacification of abolitionism in the Northern, and the conviction is strong and clear in our own minds that we have both the warrant of Scripture and the plain provisions of the Discipline to sustain us, we see no room to entertain any proposition for compromise, under the late action in the cases of Bishop Andrew and brother Harding, and the principles avowed for the maintenance of that action, short of what has been shadowed forth in the Report of the select committee which we have had under consideration, and the measures recommended by the Southern and Southwestern delegates at their meeting after the General Conference had closed its session.

Your Committee do therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

1. *Resolved*, That it is necessary for the Annual Conferences in the Slave-holding States and territories, and in Texas, to unite in a distinct ecclesiastical connection, agreeably to the provisions of the Report of the Select Committee of nine of the late General Conference, adopted on the 8th day of June last.

2. *Resolved*, That, we consider and esteem the adoption of the Report of the aforesaid committee of nine, by the General Conference, (and the more for the unanimity with which it was adopted) as involving the most solemn pledge which could have been given by the majority to the minority and the churches represented by them, for the full and faithful execution of all the particulars specified and intended in that Report.

3. *Resolved*, That we approve of the recommendation of the Southern Delegates, to hold a Convention in Louisville, on the 1st day of May next; and will elect delegates to the same on the ratio recommended in the address of the delegates to their constituents.

4. *Resolved*, That we earnestly request the Bishops, one and all, to attend the said Convention.

5. *Resolved*, That while we do not consider the proposed Convention competent to make any change or changes in the rules of discipline, they may nevertheless indicate what changes, if any, are deemed necessary under a separate jurisdiction of the Southern and South-Western Conferences. And that *it is necessary* for the Convention to resolve on, and provide for, a separate organization of these conferences, under a General Conference to be constituted and empowered in all respects, *for the government of these Conferences*, as the General Conference hitherto has been with respect to *all* the Annual Conferences —according to the provisions and intention of the late General Conference.

6. *Resolved*, That as, in common with all our brethren of this Conference district, we have deeply sympathised with Bishop Andrew in his afflictions, and believe him to have been blameless in the matter for which he has suffered, so, with them, we affectionately assure him of our approbation of his course, and receive him as not the less worthy, or less to be honoured in his Episcopal character, for the action which has been had in his case.

7. *Resolved*, That we recognize in the wisdom and prudence, the firmness and discretion, exhibited in the course of Bishop Soule, during the General Conference—as well as in former instances wherein he has proved his devotion to the great principles of constitutional right in our church,—nothing more than was to be expected from the bosom friend of Asbury and McKendree.

8. *Resolved*, That in common with the whole body of our people, we approve of the conduct of our delegates both during the General Conference, and subsequently.

9. *Resolved*, That we concur in the recommendation of the late General Conference for the change of the Sixth Article of the Restrictive Rules in the book of Discipline, so as to allow an equitable, pro-rata, division of the Book Concern.

W. Capers,	W. Smith,	H. Bass,
N. Talley,	C. Betts,	S. W. Capers,
S. Dunwody,	H. A. C. Walker,	R. J. Boyd.

THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee appointed on the Bible cause, beg leave to Report, that they have discharged the duty assigned them; and that the total amount reported to them as raised on this account, within the bounds of the Conference during the past year, is $1,298 32. It was the desire of the Committee to have reported minutely concerning these amounts, but they are unable to do so, because of the scantiness of their information. The Committee regret to say, that the collections have not been reported from all the Circuits and Stations. They recommend a continuance of this interest by the Conference. The Committee cannot but regard the cause of the American Bible Society as exceedingly precious to us, identified as it is with the interests of Protestant Christianity. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions, viz:

1. *Resolved*, That we continue to sympathize with the American Bible Society in its noble and praiseworthy object.

2. *Resolved*, That the continued success of this institution calls for thanksgiving to God; and in it we recognize the hand of Providence for the preservation and distribution of His truth.

3. *Resolved*, That we will continue to take up a collection on all our Circuits and Stations, on behalf of the American Bible Society, during the present year, and report the same at the ensuing Conference.

4. *Resolved*, That we will co-operate with the various Bible Societies within our bounds, which are in connection with the American Bible Society, in supplying the destitution which may exist among us.

5. *Resolved*, That the amounts raised by collections on our several Circuits and Stations, shall be paid over to the Presiding Elder of the District in which they may be collected; and by him forwarded to the Treasurer of the American Bible Society, except so much as is collected within the State of North Carolina, which shall be paid to the Agent of the American Bible Society for that State.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WHITEFOORD SMITH,
J. W. WIGHTMAN,
H. M. MOOD.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

OF THE SOUTH-CAROLINA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

H. A. C. WALKER, *Treasurer*, in account with the Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference.

FROM MISSIONS.

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Savannah River, by Rev. C. A. Crowell, J. J. Smith 40, Dr. W. C. Daniel 50, R. Smith 50, Col. J. M. Chisolm 50, McM. C. King 15, J. Rutledge 20, J. C. G. Rogers 5, S. Zant 5, Est. of Guerard 25, T. Hardee 15, H. W. Jaudon 5, J. D. Jones 5, Jos. Pelot 2, H. Williams 1, A. R. Thompson 1. A. C. Brebner 1, Major S. S. Shad 5, Rev. C. A. Crowell 5, Mrs. A. Chambers, 1.——$301.

Beaufort, by Rev. T. E. Leadbetter, T. Fuller 12, C. Campbell 20, T.

O. Barnwell 12, Dr. T. Fuller 25, Rev. S. Elliott 30, Miss M. Habersham 20, J. J. Smith 40, Mrs. M. Stuart 15, Mrs. R. Means 30, Mrs. Campbell 20, Master Thomas & Miss Agnes Leadbetter 1, Ann 1, Rachel. 50, Servants of Rev. Mr. Leadbetter 1.50, Mrs. Agnes Leadbetter 25.——$251 50.

Pocotaligo, by Rev. A. J. Green, R. Chisolm 80, F. G. Fraser 50, H. M. Stuart 15.——$145.

Pon Pon, by Rev. P. A. M. Williams, Charles Baring, by Rev. R. J. Boyd 75, Col. L. Morris 50, J. W. Faber 50, Mrs. A. H. Manigault 50, Maj. H. S. King 20, Est. of R. S. King 15, Mrs. B. Elliott 10, W. R. White 5, H. M. Lowry 5, A Friend for Indian Missions 5.——$285.

Edisto Island, by Rev. C. Wilson, J. J. Mikell, 100, Major W. Murray 100, W. Seabrook100, J. B. Seabrook 25, Mrs. P. Mikell 25, Miss M. A. Seabrook 30——$380.*

Combahee & Ashepoo, by Rev. J. R. Coburn, Chas. Baring, (by Rev. R. J. Boyd) 75, Est. of Thomas Lowndes 100, Hon. R. B. Rhett 100, T. M. Rhett 15, B. S. Rhett 20, Mrs. M. Smith 40, Miss. Box, Children of Rev. J. R. Coburn 6.——$356.

Cooper River, by Rev. A. Nettles, W. Bell 20, Ch Greaves, Sen. 10, W. Tennant 10, P. G. Stoney 10, Dr. C. S. Desel 10, Dr. B. Huger 1, Mrs. A. M. Tennant 2, Mrs. E. Tennant 1, Collection at Cherry Hill 10 50——$74 50.†

North Santee, by Rev. C. McLeod, J. H. Ladson 30, Maj. J. R. Pringle 20, W. B. Pringle 10, J. H. White 5, J. K. Munnerlyn 5, T. G. Avant 5, Maj. Maxwell 20, Est. of Maxwell 10——$105.‡

Sampit, by Rev. S. P. Taylor, F. Withers, Esq.——$300.

Waccamaw Neck, by Rev. J. A. Minick, Wm. A Alston 100, Col. J. J. Ward 200, Chas. Alston 100, Col. A. P. Hayne 20, H. J. Thompson 10, F. Withers 100——$530.

Black River and Peedee, by Rev. C. S. Walker, Col. R. F. W. Allston 50, Capt. J. H. Allston 50, J. Tucker 30, Hon. J. R. Poinsett 20, John Exum 20, J. R. Easterling 20, W. R. Sparkman 15, E. P. Coachman 10, A. B. Jayroe 10, Robt. Collins 10, M. Greer 10, F. Green 5, Maj. D. L. McKay 5, J. B. McDaniel 5, Mrs. C. Skinner 1, Miss E. Skinner 1, Misses J. & Ann & W. Skinner 1.50, F. Weston by Rev. J. L. Belin for last year 10.——$273.50.

Congaree,—by Rev. S. Townsend, Maj. J. O'Hanlon 10, General H. Arthur 15, J. C. Bates 10, Miss N. Arthur 10, Miss Arthur 10, Miss Arthur 6, Mrs. S. Taylor 25, W. Geiger 5, Collections at Granby and Dry Creek 19. 45, B. F. Taylor 40, Maj. J. Threewits 15.——$165.45.

Maj. Th. Davis of this mission contributed $50 at the anniversary of the Missionary Society which is accounted for under that head.

Wateree,—by Rev. W. J. Jackson, J. M. Dessausure 50, Capt. Thomas Lang 25, Hale & Matheson 15, Mrs. Ciples 5, Col. J. English 15, Mrs. H. English 15, Capt. B. Boykin 15, Miss S. M'Rae 5, Col. J. Chesnut Sen. 30, T. J. Ancrum 15, Mrs. E. Chesnut 10, J. C. Doby 20, P. J. Lucius 5, L. Boykin and lady 20, Sundries, 8.75, J. Thompson 1, Master L. Boykin 50c., J. A. Black, $15.——$269.75.

Pee Dee,—by Rev. C. Betts, S. F. Gibson 50, J. S. Gibson 50, J. N. Williams 20, J. F. Ervin 5, E. Pashua 5, Mrs. McClenighan 10.——$140.

Manchester,—by Rev. S. Owen, Collection,——$53.79.

Cape Fear, by Rev. M. C. Turrentine, Dr. F. J. Hill 25, Jos. H.

* $150 was received from His Excellency Governor Aiken, after this Report was made
† $10 from Mrs. Isaac Ball, ‡ $10 from S. D. Doar. $10 from Mrs. E. Pinckney.

Watters 20, Capt. S. Potter 20, Dr. J. D. Bellamy 20, Dr. Derosett, Jr. 10, Capt. H. N. Howard 5, J. G. Hall 5, A. D. Young 5.——$110.

FROM AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Camden, by Rev. C. H. Pritchard 59, Do. colored missionary society 65 50, Do. Ladies Missionary Sewing society 147; Cypress, by W. Mellard Treasurer 52 51; Do. for Indian Missions 20; Charleston Bethel, by Rev. W. C. Kirkland 4 55, Do. Juvenile missionary society 32 80, Do. Colored 146, Do. Sunday School missionary Box 8 35; Charleston Cumberland, by Rev. S. W. Capers 112, Do. Juvenile missionary society 18 89; Lenoir, by Rev. S. Jones 53 12; Black Swamp, by Rev. H. Bass 145 81; Charleston Free colored female missionary society 80 94, Do. Juvenile do. 21 06; Fayetteville Junior Missionary society 20; Cokesbury do. 55, Charleston, Capers, (colored) do. 52, George-town, missionary society of colored persons 46 80; Do. to educate one year an African boy to be named Aaron Shackleford 30; Charlotte, by Rev. W. P. Monzon 30 55. Do. for Indian missions 5 53; Wadesboro, by Rev. S. Leard 152 37 Do. for Indian missions 50; Deep River, by Rev. T. S. Daniel 31 25; Rockingham for Indian missions by Rev. L. O. Neale 30, Do. Mt. Pleasant Do. Do. 2 70; Pleasant Grove by J. H. Norton secretary 143 50; Cokesbury circuit, by Rev. D. W. Seale 502.

FROM CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.

Wilmington, by Rev. W. Smith, $184 91; Camden, by Rev. C. H. Pritchard, 29; Ditto Sunday School Missionary Box, 17; Ditto for Indian Missions, 114 88; Lincolnton, by Rev. A. B. McGilvray, 90; St. James, Charleston, by Rev John A. Porter, 31 80: Montgomery, by Rev. A. H. Richardson, 35 52; Union, by Rev. I. L. Potter, 141; Orangeburg, by Rev. D. G. McDaniel, 69 25; Ditto, for Indian Missions, 121; Coloured people of Cumberland, Charleston, by Rev. S W. Capers, 124 29; Cumberland, Charleston, collected by Mrs. M. E. Wilson 23, by Miss M. Gninness 9 25, by Miss A. E. Capers 2, by Mrs. H. Hill 1 31, by Mrs. G. Colson 3, by Mrs. E. Hanahan 6 28; Pendleton, by Rev. G. W. Moore, 25 50; Newberry, by Rev. S. Dunwody, 95; Marion, by Rev. P. G. Bowman, 91 58; Ditto, for Indian Missions, 133 17; Yorkville, by Rev. M. A. McKibben, $27; Black River, by Rev. S. D. Laney, 183 56; Ditto for Indian Missions, 138; Rutherford, by Rev. W. A. McSwain, 81 50; Ditto, to constitute Rev. A. Hamby, and Rev. B. Hamilton life members 20; Aiken and Hamburg, by Rev. D. J. Simmons, 15; Black Swamp, by Rev. H. Bass, for Indian Missions, 217; Fayetteville, by Rev. C. Murchison, 33; Ditto, for Indian Missions, 81; Spartanburg, by Rev. Bond English, 60; Cheraw, by Rev. A. M. Shipp, 203; Chesterfield, by Rev. A. M. Chrietzberg, 168 63; Ditto, for Indian Missions, 47 50; Barnwell, by Rev. J. H. Chandler, 39 68; Ditto for Indian Missions, 161 50; Laurens, by Rev. J. H. Zimmerman, 124; Greenville, by Rev. H. M. Mood, 38 30; Columbia Circuit, by Rev. M. M. Michau, 53 45; Do. for Indian missions, 85 85; Walterboro, by Rev. R. J. Limehouse, 172; Santee, by Rev. H. H. Durant; 82 10; Ditto for Indian missions, 322 86; Morganton, by Rev. S. W. Daves, 44: Shelby, by Rev. S. H. Miller, 42 15; Lancaster, by Rev. J. R. Pickett, 20 58; Ditto for Indian Missions, 58 75; Rockingham, by Rev. L. O'Neale, 54; Whitesville, by Rev. G. R. Talley, 2 62; Ditto for Indian missions, 85; Cokesbury, cent-a-week collections, by Rev. W. Crook, 158 65; Bladen, by Rev. M. Robbins, and Rev. S. M. Green, 21 16; Ditto for Indian Missions, 127; Darlington, by Rev. W. L. Pegues, 40.80; Ditto for Indian Missions, 293; Edgefield, by Rev. A. McCorquodale, 75 25; Cooper River, by Rev. L. Scarbrough, 10;

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DONATIONS.

Rev. J. Jenkins. Camden 10; Contributed in Camden in approbation of the course pursued by the Southern delegation in the late General conference 100; Charleston Bethel, by Rev. W. C. Kirkland for Indian missions 6; Charleston, Cumberland, by Rev. S. W. Capers, Isaac Davis 15, Mrs. E. Hahnbaum 5, W. H. McDonald 5, J. D. Pascoe 5, S. Chapman 5, A. J Fraser 5, S. Newbold 1, S. Aldert 1, Capt. J. Mullins 2, F. Burrows 1, Mrs. E. Chrietzberg 2, Mrs. J. Calvert 50c., Mrs. M. Davis 50c., Capt. N. Gibbs 1, Mrs. C. G. Kennedy, Wilmington 5, Rev. B. Woford to constitute his sister Mrs. Rebecca Mullinax a life member 10, Mrs. A. Zeigler, Walterboro 5, Mrs. M. Wiesinger 5, P. P Carson 5, Rev. W. M. Kerr 5, Mrs. R. Burbage, Cooper river mission, for Indian missions 1.——$201.

PROPORTION OF CENTENARY COLLECTIONS.

From Rev. James Stacy, Chairman of the Centenary Committee, $9.

LIFE SUBSCRIBERS.

John C. West and Wm. B. Johnson, (several persons in Camden,) $20; Annual subscriptions, $9.

CONTRIBUTED AT THE ANNIVERSARY HELD AT COLUMBIA.

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In addition to the foregoing, $1 each from the following; Mrs. D. Crawford, Miss Heron, Miss R. Pearse, Miss R. Wade, Miss S. A. Holliman, Mrs. McAlpin, Mrs. Wheeler, Miss M. J. Bryce, Mrs. Dr. Parker, P. McDaniel, Mrs. Maybin, J. Veal, Rev. H. Spain, F. A. Tradewell.—$14.

From various other donors, names not reported, and the hat collection $171 84 cts. making an aggregate received on the occasion of the anniversary of $1183 84 cts.

RECAPITULATION.

From Missions,	$3740 99
Auxiliary Societies,	2160 33
Collections on circuits and stations,	55 55 19
Donations,	201 00
Proportion of Centenary collections,	9 00
Annual subscriptions,	9 00
Life subscriptions,	20 00
Anniversary collections,	1183 84
Amount received since the last conference by the Assistant Treasurer and acknowledged in the Southern Christian Advocate,	1218 01
	$14,097 36

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By amount forwarded to Treasurer of Parent Society, by Rev. J. Jenkins,	10	00
Collection by Dr. Capers in Camden,	40	38
Do. Do. Do. in Barnwell,	111	93
Do. Do. Do. on Santee circuit,	181	87
Do. Do. Do. on Orangeburg,	219	68
Cr. on Missionary draft of Nov. 10, 1844,	31	25
Error in account of 1844, page 7,	8	00
Collection by Dr. Capers on Darlington [illegible]	197	97
Dr. Capers, by Mrs. Campbell of Beaufort [illegible]on,	20	00
Amount forwarded to Treasurer of Pare[illegible]iety for education, &c., of an African boy, as per order [illegible]issionary society of colored people of Georgetown,	30	00
Payment to Dr. Capers by Rev. J. H. Whee[illegible]r,	10	00
Amount forwarded to Treasurer of Mission[illegible]y society of the M. E. Church, contributed on Pleasant Grove circuit to constitute Rev. D. Derrick a life member of said society,	20	00
Amounts paid superintendent of Southern missions at Sundry times since last February on account of salary,	1003	00
Paid on exchange and postage,	3	13
Drafts paid for missions first quarter on the Charleston and Wilmington, and first and second quarters on the Columbia districts,	2743	75
Cash in Treasurer's hands and orders on factors,	9364	40
	$14,097	36

THE TRUST,

FOR THE RELIEF OF THE SUPERANNUATED OR WORN-OUT PREACHERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF PREACHERS.

Board of Trustees,—W. M. Wightman, Chairman; R. J. Boyd, Secretary; Thomas E. Leadbetter, Treasurer; D. Derrick, H. A. C. Walker and J. W. Townsend, Managers.

The following amounts were appropriated out of the interest collected on this fund:—To Rev. J. Dannelly, $20; to Rev. H. Spain, 20; to Rev. R. Pierce, 20; to Rev. D. W. Hilliard, 20; to Rev. J. L. Belin, 15; to Rev. C. Smith, 15; to widow of Rev. C. G. Hill, 10.—$120

FUND OF SPECIAL [illegible]ELIEF.

Trustees.—W. Capers, Chairman; [illegible]B. English, Treasurer; N. Talley, Secretary; S. Dunwody, H. Bass, D. Derrick and W. Crook.

The whole amount of Stock is $5677 47.

The Interest collected on the above capital for the year 1844 amounts to $381 95. And after deducting two per cent on the capital from the interest produced to be added to the capital, the Trustees find themselves in possession of $270 to be appropriated at this time as the Constitution of the Trust directs. This sum we have appropriated as follows:

To Rev. Moses Smith, local preacher, aged and afflicted, $20; to Rev. L.

Garrison, do., 15; to Rev. [illegible] Elrod, do., 15; to Rev. Reddick Pierce, 20; to Rev. Willis Dickinson, do., 15; to Sister Gamewell, widow of Rev. J. Gamewell, 20; to Sister Hartley, mother of Rev. Isaac Hartley, deceased, 20; to Sister Morgan, widow of Rev. A. Morgan, 20; to Sister Hill, widow of Rev. C. G. Hill, 20; to Sister Hoyle, widow of Rev. A. Hoyle, 25; to Sister Dawson, widow of a local preacher, 15; to Sister Hamby, mother of Rev. A. Hamby, 15; to Sister Hill, widow of James Hill, a local preacher, 15; to Rev. John Mood, a local preacher, 20; to Rev. John Newell, a local preacher, 15.—$270 00.

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NEC[illegible]5, RITOUS CASES.

The committee on neces[illegible] Rev[illegible]s cases respectfully make the following report:—Received from the L[illegible]es' Conference Working society of Charleston station, $45 12 1-2, from Columbia station, 6; from Cheraw station, 1 50.—$52 62 1-2.

The following appropriations have been made:—To the widow of Rev. Abel Hoyle, 20; to the widow of Rev. Christian G. Hill, 16 31 1-4; to the widow of Rev. Asbury Morgan, 16 31 1-4.—$52 62 1-2.

A COURSE OF STUDY

For the Itinerant Probationers and Deacons of the Methodist Episcopal church to be uniformly observed in all the Annual Conferences, as provided for by the late General Conference.

First Year.—The Bible as to *Doctrines*, with reference to Wesley's Notes, the Bible Dictionaries, and Commentaries of our own publication; Concordance; and Gaston's Collections of Sacred Scriptures. Wesley's Sermons; Fletcher's Appeal and Christian Perfection. English Grammar and Composition.

Second Year.—The Bible as to *Ordinances or Sacraments*. Reference books the same as the first year. Watson's Life of Wesley; Bishop Watson's Apology; Fletcher's Christian Perfection. Methodist Discipline. Geography. Composition.

Third Year.—The Bible as to *History and Chronology*. Reference books as before. The first and second parts of Watson's Institutes; Pregory's Church History. Rhetoric. Written Essay or Sermon.

Fourth Year.—The Bible generally. Reference books the same. The third and fourth parts of Watson's Institutes. Powell on Apostolical Succession; Old Christianity contrasted with the novelties of Popery, by Gideon Ousley. Logic and Written Essay or Sermon.

The foregoing Course is considered obligatory upon the several classes of candidates. The following RECOMMENDED for such as have ability, time and inclination to accomplish more, on which or any part of it, such only as desire it should be examined.

Miscellaneous Department.—The Bible continued. Fletcher's Checks; Life of Dr. Episcopius; Mosheim's Church History; Dr. Elliott on Romanism; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation; Butler's Analogy; Natural Philosophy; Moral Philosophy; Civil History. And if any desire to proceed still farther, they can include in their course other sciences and the dead languages, aided by the best authors, and such private instruction as may be within their reach.

Joshua Soule.